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SUBJECT: UNCTAD CODE OF CONDUCT FOR LINER CONFERENCES--
INDIAN-SRI LANKAN INITIATIVE

REF: HAMBURG 1701, STATE 295748, LONDON 18738

1. CONGEN REQUESTED TO CONVEY TO HINZ BELIEF THAT LATER
DATE, (I.E., JAN. 29) AND OTHER EUROPEAN SITE WOULD MORE
REALISTICALLY SUPPORT THE INFORMAL, NON-UNCTAD, NON-OECD
NATURE OF PROPOSED MEETING.

2. DEPT (BANK) BELIEVES THAT HOLDING OF MEETING IN LDC
EMBASSY IN GENEVA, HALF-WAY THROUGH A SCHEDULED UNCTAD
SESSION (IPG) WOULD CREATE DISTINCT IMPRESSION OF FORMAL
G-77-OECD CONFRONTATION UNDER UNCTAD AUSPICES. MOREOVER,
ATTENDANCE AT MEETING BY DELEGATES TO IPG WOULD REINFORCE
THAT CONCLUSION. DEPT ALSO FEARS THAT JAN. 15 MEETING
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WOULD ATTRACT SCORES OF PARTICIPANTS (WHO WOULD OTHERWISE

BE IN GENEVA) AND WOULD THEREBY TURN WHAT WAS INTENDED TO BE A QUIET, INFORMAL EXCHANGE INTO AN ON-THE-RECORD THREE RING CIRCUS.

3. DEPT THEREFORE RECOMMENDS MEETING IN CITY OTHER THAN GENEVA (I.E., HAMBURG) IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING IPG. LDC AND

OTHER IPG DELS WHO WISH TO ATTEND MAY AFTER FINISHING THEIR UNCTAD BUSINESS QUICKLY TRAVEL TO HAMBURG PRIOR TO RETURNING HOME.

4. FROM A STRICTLY OPERATIONAL POINT OF VIEW, JAN. 29 OR 31 MEETING WOULD PERMIT A GREATER POSSIBILITY OF BANK'S ATTENDANCE. HOWEVER, IF AFTER FINAL ANALYSIS, JAN. 15 GENEVA MEETING IS ONLY CHOICE, BANK WILL ATTEMPT TO ATTEND. ROBINSON

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